

rock's with the roar of the outraged Federal Government. Or let the post office mail carrier, abstract 30 cents from the Government mail bag and instantly Federal honor is vindicated to the applause of press and Congress. Whoever heard of any of these post office petty pilferers being visited to Washington for voluntary revelations?

Says People Were Robbed.

"My Dear Chairman: There was a leak last week and another a short time before, and one a short time before that. Through them the American people were robbed of hundreds of millions of their savings, and a particular few beneficiaries secured some sixty-odd millions of direct plunder, some of which was split with important people."

Doesn't Know Percentage.

Whether men in public life shared the profits of the bear raid on a 50-50, 70-30, or 90-10 per cent basis, Mr. Lawson says, "can be exactly ascertained only by an investigation."

That there are other "leaks" coming that will benefit the "particular few" and rob the "many" of billions is asserted by Mr. Lawson. He adds: "When Congress started to agitate its virtuous indignation over last week's petty leak of \$60,000,000 it never occurred to Congress to undo its indignation at the culmination of the greatest robbery in the most gigantic crime of all history—the premeditated manufacture of forty billions of fictitious securities, which means a tax of 5 per cent, two billions annually, or that much added every year to the cost of living."

Alleges Fictitious Values.

"But for the greater crime of the past two years last week's leak would have been impossible. . . . In addition to the legitimate billions that have been manufactured at the same time forty billions of fictitious values have been manufactured illegitimately. These fictitious values have been put into banks and trust companies and insurance companies in place of billions of the people's savings which have been withdrawn and turned over to the 'few'."

"To such an extent have these savings been withdrawn and these fictitious values substituted that today the banks, trust companies and insurance vaults are bursting with them."

Gives Possible Results.

Mr. Lawson says the results of a real investigation "may be these:—

"A—The whole world aghast at revelations which may so affect the world's finance as to bring the war to a close.

"B—Cost of living may take so quick a drop as will make unnecessary the expensive municipal, State, and Federal investigations as to where eggs should be stamped 'hard boiled' or 'cold stored' before being put up.

Outlines Plot Possibilities.

"The complete exposure of the man who said to Germany, 'Give me fifty millions of margins and I will end the war by making it impossible for the allies to finance themselves,' of his trip to the Emperor for the perfecting of his scheme; of the return in an undersea boat of \$40,000,000 of American securities; of their sale in Wall Street; of the splitting up of the \$40,000,000 among six stock exchange houses as margins for the sale of some three million shares of short stocks; the smashing of the markets and the dividing of the profits of over sixty millions; and the beginning of a new smashing 'leak' campaign; the complete exposure of the leak, and how it was founded in Government officials' information that there are in Atlantic waters eight great submarines, with others coming; that they will continue to come until the entire Atlantic coast is so effectually blockaded as to make it impossible to ship a pound of tea or a box of matches 200 miles beyond our coast line, thereby bringing America face to face with the inevitable."

Refers To Money Trust Probe.

Mr. Lawson refers to the investigation of the money trust by the Peio committee and the retention of Samuel Untermyer as counsel. If a similar committee is named to investigate this leak, Mr. Lawson says, he will serve without fee, and "if I do not show to the world in the first ten days that the committee's work is the biggest and most important to the nation I will agree in advance to be ignominiously fired."

Mr. Lawson says that in an hour's interview with President Wilson, whom he praises for fairness, honesty, ability, wisdom, and experience, he will produce "sufficient goods to warrant the President in testifying to Congress his belief in the wisdom of instituting at once such an investigation."

Wants Full Inquiry.

Mr. Lawson avers that he will have nothing to do with a limited investigation such as the Wood resolution proposed. Mr. Wood, he says, wants to investigate only those things which point to certain officials who might have had something to do with the leak. The Boston financier demands a committee with full power to investigate everything and everybody "which will tend to show that last week's leak and the previous ones and all stock gambling since the war began are part of a fraud to rob American people. You know what I mean, something that will produce a

THE WEATHER REPORT.

District of Columbia—Light rain or snow this afternoon; overcast and warmer tonight. Tuesday fair; fresh, southwest winds.

Maryland—Light snow or rain this afternoon and tonight; warmer to night. Tuesday fair; fresh to strong southwest winds.

Virginia—Light snow or rain this afternoon; overcast and warmer to night. Tuesday fair; fresh southwest winds.

TEMPERATURES.

8 a. m. 28
9 a. m. 28
10 a. m. 28
11 a. m. 32
12 noon 34
1 p. m. 34

TIDE TABLE.

High tides: 1:30 a. m., height 2.5
2:35 p. m., height 2.8
Low tides: 8:34 a. m., height 0.1
9:13 p. m., height 0.0

SUN AND MOON TABLE.

Sun rises 7:35 a. m.
Sun sets 4:56 p. m.
Moon rises 12:04 p. m.
Moon sets 1:12 a. m.

real investigation, not a jack-bunk farce."

Renews Claim of Peace Note Leak.

Mr. Lawson renews his claims that the leak on the President's peace note was but one of a series of advance tips that have reached Wall Street from time to time in the past.

The Lawson letter hints at some one who is alleged to have told Germany that he could end the war by making it impossible for the allies to finance themselves. For this service, according to the Lawson hint, this person was to receive "fifty millions of margins."

Might Reduce Living Cost.

The result, Mr. Lawson says, might be a sudden drop in the cost of living and "the complete exposure of the man who said to Germany, 'Give me \$50,000,000 of margins and I'll end the war by making it impossible for the allies to finance themselves,' or his trip to the Emperor for the perfecting of his scheme; of the return in an undersea boat of \$40,000,000 of American securities; of the smashing of the market and the dividing of the profits of over \$50,000,000 and the beginning of a new smashing 'leak' campaign."

Continuing, Mr. Lawson says he does not affirm that an investigation will show all these things, but that it will show the "truth or untruth" of these stories which are beneath today's surface, and will at the same time show the working of a gigantic publicity opinion-making affair, "working overtime to lay the blame of the leak disaster at the door of the associates of the greatest President since Lincoln, although these men were absolutely free from any entanglement with the affair."

CONDUCTORS HAPPY

Granted Privilege of Seat in Cars They Direct.

"Happy New Year? Well, I guess yes, for us."

Thus quoth one conductor, as he rung up fares and luxuriously seated himself in a corner seat of a car bound down town.

This was not a sudden attack of ennui on the part of this fare collector. Everybody, in the conductor line, was doing it today. One expected them to pull out their morning papers and begin reading, but that is expressly forbidden, in the voluminous rules.

Motormen have had sitting privileges for some time. The railway company decided that it would be an appropriate Christmas present to extend it to conductors, too.

The times, and the places where the conductors may sit, is rigorously prescribed. They may sit only in certain zones, outside the business and downtown residential sections, and they sit in certain places prescribed variously according to the different types of cars.

LYNSDAY FAIRFAX DEAD

Well-Known Society and Clubman Died at Oakhill, Va.

Lyndsay Fairfax, of Lenox, Mass., and prominently known in club and social circles here, died at the home of his brother, the late Henry Fairfax, at Oakhill, Loudoun county, Va., yesterday, according to word received by friends here today.

Mr. Fairfax was in his sixty-fifth year, and had spent much of his life in Washington and New York. His family is identified with country life throughout Virginia. Henry Fairfax, his brother, was for many years president of the Hackney Society. Since the death of his brother several months ago Lyndsay Fairfax had spent considerable time with the latter's family at the Oakhill home, the former estate of President Monroe.

Mr. Fairfax was a distant relative of Charles W. Fairfax, of the real estate firm of Stone & Fairfax, of this city. Funeral services for the deceased will be held next Wednesday from St. James' Episcopal Church at Leesburg, Va.

ATTACKS LIQUOR TRAFFIC

Incidentally Criticizes Member of Congress for Stand.

"The Road to Misery and Ruin Through Sin, Immorality, and the Saloon," was the subject of an illustrated sermon delivered by the Rev. Dr. Charles P. McLean, pastor of the Douglas Memorial M. E. Church, at the church last night.

Dr. McLean depicted the misery sometimes resulting in homes where the head of the family indulged in alcoholic drinks. The speaker laid the blame for such ills at the door of the country's legislators.

He declared that those members of the House of Representatives and the Senate who were allying themselves with the liquor interests were "opposing the happiness of homes, true motherhood and hopeful childhood."

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ALEXANDRIA GUARD IS ORDERED HOME

Hearty Welcome Awaits Arrival of Militia From Border.

ALEXANDRIA, Jan. 1.—A telegram was received here this morning from Capt. Conrad Johnson, of the Alexandria Light Infantry, stationed at Brownsville, Tex., stating that the regiment would leave that place tomorrow and would probably arrive in Richmond, Va., on Sunday next. Preparations are already in hand to give the boys a hearty welcome when they reach Alexandria. Just when that date will be is not known at present. It is intimated that it may require some time to muster out the entire regiment and pay off the men so that their arrival here may be delayed for possibly a couple of weeks, or may be more.

Judge Caton has collected a total of \$2,777 in fines from cases that have come before him in police court during the past calendar year.

Neville S. Greenaway, clerk of the corporation court, recorded fifty-six deeds and issued sixty-four marriage licenses in December. Forty-eight of the licenses were granted to white people, and sixteen to colored.

The night school will resume its sessions on Wednesday evening under the direction of the Parent-Teacher Association, following the holiday recess. Sessions will be held regularly on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday evenings thereafter. The regular high school course will be augmented by the addition of a stenographic course, to be taught by Prof. Bandy.

The week of prayer services will begin this evening, in which the various denominations will unite. The service for tonight will be held in Christ Church, the Rev. L. M. Ferguson, pastor of Trinity Methodist Church, being the leader. Tomorrow night the meeting will be held in the Second Baptist Church, with Dr. John Lee Allison, of the Second Presbyterian Church in charge; Wednesday evening, the Rev. Dr. J. W. Duffey, pastor of the Methodist Church, South, will lead the service which will be held in St. Paul's Episcopal Church; Thursday night, the Rev. Edgar Carpenter, of Grace Episcopal Church, will have charge of the service in Trinity Methodist Church, and on Friday evening the last meeting will be held in the Methodist Protestant Church, with the Rev. Dr. E. B. Jackson as leader.

James Martin, a young man eighteen years old, who resides on the "city road," a short distance from Alexandria, yesterday attempted suicide. It is alleged, by shooting himself in the left breast with a revolver. He succeeded in putting a .38-caliber bullet entirely through his body, about two inches above his heart, and the physicians say it is surprising that he is alive. The only reason they can give for his escape from death is that the bullet may have been deflected by a rib. The shooting occurred about 2 o'clock in the afternoon. He was taken to the Alexandria City Hospital shortly after, where Dr. George T. Kilpatrick attended him. The reason for the shooting is not known, but it is intimated that it may have been the result of a love affair.

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HARROWING SCENES MARK FATAL FIRE

Trapped in Flaming Asylum, 45 Insane Women and One Sister Perish.

MONTREAL, Jan. 1.—Fragmentary reports of the disastrous fire which destroyed the insane asylum at St. Ferdinand de Halifax, in which forty-six women perished, reaching here today, brought word of harrowing scenes enacted while the flames swept the structure.

Situated far away from any town equipped with fire fighting apparatus, the asylum was a roaring furnace soon after the blaze was first discovered.

There were nearly 200 insane women and girls in the home. Some are said to have refused to leave the building. Others rushed directly into the flames in their wild frenzy, and others jumped from windows on the upper floors.

Women who escaped ran wildly through the village. Many were overtaken by residents of the village and carried to the homes of the latter, where they were cared for.

The temperature being far below zero here, those who escaped the flames suffered severely from exposure. The fire broke out Saturday night while the inmates of the asylum were asleep, and all who fled, escaped only in their night clothing. One sister is reported to have perished while endeavoring to save some of the inmates. Thirty young women in a convent adjoining the asylum, also narrowly escaped death. The convent was destroyed.

ANSWERS DIRECTOR RALPH

Editor of Plate Printer Renews Deviny Controversy.

T. J. Ryan, editor of the Plate Printer, today made another statement in answer to Director Joseph E. Ralph, of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, in regard to the refusal of further leave of absence to John J. Deviny, president of the Plate Printers' Union.

In part Mr. Ryan says: "Mr. Ralph also makes the statement that the business of the Plate Printers' Union at the Capitol should be attended to by the editor of the Plate Printer."

"It appears to us that the plate printers themselves are the best judges as to whom to select to appear before the committee of Congress to attend to their business, and out of abundant caution, they had always selected the president or chairman of their executive committee, for the very reason that the director has commented many times upon outside representatives."

OYSTER PRICES MAY SOAR

Long Period of Bad Weather Responsible, Dealers Say.

Oysters are likely to join the other foods in the high cost of living list. The dealers are paying more for the oysters than at any time last year, and selling to the retailer at last year's prices. Last year the best oysters could be had as cheap as \$3.25 a barrel. This year they are \$4.00, and the price is steadily climbing.

Shucked oysters show the same rate of increase, costing as high as \$1.50 a gallon. Saturday night there was not an oyster on the boats tied up at the oyster wharves. A few came in yesterday, but barely enough to fill the demand.

A long period of bad weather, the oyster dealers assert, undoubtedly will force them to raise prices, as the margin of profit is small at present.

SUFFRAGISTS SEEK EAR OF PRESIDENT

Want Audience With Chief Executive to Present Boissvain Memorial Resolutions.

A deputation from the Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage will call on Assistant Secretary Brannan at the White House this afternoon for the purpose of arranging, if possible, an interview with President Wilson for some day during the latter part of the week, when resolutions on the death of Mrs. Inez Milholland Boissvain will be presented to the Chief Executive.

Resolutions Are Similar.

The resolutions are those adopted at memorial services for the suffrage leader in the Capitol, San Francisco, and New York. They are similar in tone, calling attention to the useless waste of women's lives in a just cause, and asking the President to use his influence with Congress for the passage of the proposed Susan B. Anthony amendment.

Those To Make Presentation.

Mrs. John Winters Brannan, member of the national executive committee of the union, and Mrs. Clarence Smith, of the New York city committee, will offer resolutions adopted in New York. Those which were adopted at the national memorial service at the Capitol Christmas Day, will be carried by Miss Maud Younger, principal speaker on that occasion.

The San Francisco resolutions will be brought to Washington by Sara Bard Field, prominent suffrage worker on the Coast.

MILITIAMEN SEND HOLIDAY GREETINGS

Soldiers on Border Wish Friends at Home Happy New Year.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Jan. 1.—The Washington, D. C. militiamen in Camp Wilson extend through The Times a happy new year to their friends and relatives at home, who by greetings and gifts have made the holiday season in the military camp a happy one.

A group of militiamen representing officers and enlisted men of the Infantry regiment and the Washington cavalry called at newspaper headquarters in camp this morning and requested that The Times convey their greetings to home folks.

Col. Glendie E. Young, commander of the Third Infantry, received officers of the regiment in front of his tent this morning and made a talk to them after each had extended the season's greetings. He touched on what the new year holds for the militiamen. "We will give 1917 to our country, too, if we are needed," he said.

The Third's band and then the Third's bugle corps paraded through the camp playing. Colonel Young addressed the "first sergeants" of the Third in front of regimental headquarters following the officers' reception. Today and tomorrow are holidays in camp.

LOGICAL PROGRESSION.

Knicker—After the war the rich will be richer and the poor poorer. Bocker—And those who are neither will be neither.—New York Sun.

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